

I believe that the media tries to make hackers seem like super sophisticated ingenious people that can break into any network or accounts that they want. The way their depicted make it seem as if they can break into any system, no matter how secure and that most of these people are committed criminals. In reality, a lot of these people simply take advantage of small imperfections they find in accounts. A lot of the seemingly magical devices these hackers use to figure out people's passwords are really just more entertaining than the real practice of just making educated guesses of people's password. "Underground" capture the flag competitions that are shown in the media are completely legal and occur often. The expensive corporations that spend thousands of dollars on skilled hackers are more or less fictional. Overall, it seems evident that the media is trying their best to make the world of hacking seem a lot more entertaining, and even scarier, then it really is. It can make people feel like these hackers can attack anyone when in reality, simple practices like making stronger passwords and not opening suspicious emails can be enough to prevent a considerable amount of cyber attacks.